

Remarks

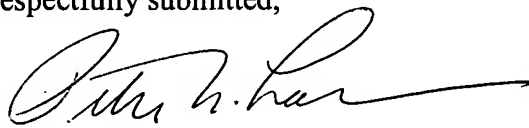
Independent claims 1 and 2 have been amended to more clearly define the invention and distinguish it over Oosuka et al '935 taken alone or in combination with either of the secondary references. New claims 19 and 20 have been added which also are deemed to distinguish over the prior art.

Each of the previously submitted claims as amended and the newly submitted claims recites an ignition coil having a winding or core element, windings on such element, a metallic casing enclosing the winding and an elastic insulating element mounted on the winding or core element, mountable on a spark plug with a terminal of the spark plug received in the opening of the winding or core element and at least a part of which is disposed between the winding element and the metallic casing. With respect to Oosuka et al '935, it will be noted that elastomeric element 43 is not mountable on a spark plug with a terminal of the spark plug received in the opening thereof in electrical contact with the terminal of any winding, and is not provided with a portion which is disposed between a core or winding element and a metallic casing as recited in the amended and newly submitted claims.

In view of the foregoing, it respectfully is requested that the rejection of claims 1-18 be withdrawn, such claims as amended and the newly submitted claims be allowed and that the application be passed to issue.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any underpayment of fees or credit any overpayment of fees in connection with this communication to Deposit Account 19-4375.

Respectfully submitted,



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